

New Features in PowerTeacher 2.1

PowerTeacher 2.1 has key usability and feature enhancements for teachers, focused on start-of-school needs. Hundreds of teachers and district staff provided detailed feedback, and Pearson is listening. Thanks to the feedback of our fantastic PowerTeacher customers, this release incorporates some of the most commonly requested features and fixes.

Key features include: Copy final grade setup, teacher defined score codes, dynamic birthday list, new ABS (absent) score code, variable credit support, and key report fixes.

Pearson is dedicated to a process of continual improvement, to bring you the features you need to be successful in the classroom today and in the future. Your feedback is important to us, and helps each new release meet and exceed the expectations of our teachers across the nation.

The following tables display a complete list of enhancements in PowerTeacher 2.1.

Key Features

Feature	Description
Copy Grade Setup – Single Reporting Term	Teachers can copy a reporting term's final grade setup to any/all other reporting terms in the class.
Copy Grade Setup – Entire Class	Teachers can copy an entire class's final grade setup to any/all other sections. This copy can even come from a previous year. Robust logic is available to allow copying in almost any scenario. For example, copying S1 to S2, T1 to Y1, and almost any other combination. For complex scenarios, PowerTeacher pre-populates the most logical choices, to help save time for the teacher.
Teacher Score Codes	Teachers can create score codes to be used in the Scoresheet. For example, EA (Excused Absence) can be created and then entered on any student's assignment score, for any type of assignment (points, percent or letter grade). These codes are also available for use with assignment standard scores. Each code created can be exempt, or count as a given percent. A numeric value is available for use on standards with numeric grade scales.
Absent (ABS) Score Code	PowerTeacher now comes with ABS (absent) as a score code available for all teachers. Teachers can use this score code on any assignment and for any assignment standard scores.
Parent/Student Access: Score Codes	When entered by the teacher, score codes now appear in the Parent Portal, and on the student Quick Lookup page in PowerSchool.
Dynamic Birthday List	Teachers can now select Birthdays from the Tools menu to display a list of current student birthdays. All birthdays are shown, with special focus on the current week and current month. Two days forward and back from the current day are always called out, so weekend birthdays are not missed, even when they cross over weeks or months. Information can be printed or exported as needed.
Variable Credit	For courses that require credit modification, the teachers can now enter in the amount of credit earned for each student. Only courses with this requirement will show the variable credit fields for the teacher.

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General Fixes

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Individual Student Report	Students who drop and re-enroll mid-term now show all data on the Individual Student report.
Multi-Section Report	Students who drop and re-enroll mid-term now show all data on the Multi-Section Report.
Scoresheet Student Report	Students who drop and re-enroll mid-term now show all data on the Scoresheet report.
Final Grade and Comment Report	Students who drop and re-enroll mid-term now show all data on the Final Grade and Comment report.
Standards Report	Students who drop and re-enroll mid-term now show all data on the Standards report.
Teacher Preferences: Re-alphabetized	All tabs on the Preferences dialog now appear in alphabetical order.

PowerTeacher Administrator Features

Feature	Description
Section Readiness Report: New School Selector	User feedback indicates that customers wanted to select a school and then run the Section Readiness report, without having to pick a complex section group. This report now has a school selector, which is the default and can be used instead of selecting section groups.
Section Readiness Report: Export Results	All of the data from the Section Readiness report can now be exported to CSV. Export includes the section readiness data, or class specific final grades and comments.